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The PCR primers used were: BMP9, forward primer: 5'TCCCCACCGACTTGTTCTTC-3' (SEQ ID NO:1), reverse primer: 5'-

GAGAGTCAGCTGGGAGCTTGA-3'(SEQ ID NO:2). GAPDH, forward primer: 5'-

TGTGTCCGTCGTGGATCTGA-3'(SEQ ID NO: 3), reverse primer: 5'-

CCTGCTTCACCACCTTCTTGA-3'(SEQ ID NO:4). RT-PCR for the M exon of ChAT was performed using the Access RT-PCR system from Promega. The forward primer (5'- GGG GTG GCT GGT TTG CTT GCA GTC A -3')(SEQ ID NO: 5) was designed specifically for detection of transcripts originating at the M promoter, and the reverse primer (5'- GGG GGC ACT GGC AAC TTA GGT AAG -3') (SEQ ID NO:6) was derived from the coding region of the ChAT gene.

REMARKS

Applicants have amended the specification by inserting the Sequence Identifiers from the Sequence Listing where necessary. A Version With Markings to Show Changes Made is attached.

If any additional fee is due with regard to this paper, Applicant's hereby authorize payment of such fee from deposit account 07-1060.

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